

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace paragraph [0013] with the following amended paragraph:

**[0013]** According to a first essential aspect of this invention, a device for the locally resolved determination of object distance is proposed with a frequency shifted feedback radiation source for object irradiation with radiation that can be used to determine distance and a position-sensitive object detection sensor, wherein the frequency shifted feedback radiation source used for object irradiation is formed with a means for increasing radiation frequency component beat intensity, and the position-sensitive object detection sensor ~~for detecting~~ detects the beat intensity of radiation received from the object and ~~[[not]]~~ the radiation not from the object.